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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

RECORDATION NO.

SEP 2 0 '04

Mr. Vernon Williams Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20423-0001

Termination of Full Maintenance Per Diem Lease Agreement dated as of August 27, 2004 by Helm Financial Corporation ("Termination").

Dear Mr. Williams:

September 16, 2004

On behalf of Helm Financial Corporation, I submit for filing and recording, under 49 U.S.C. Section 11303(a) and the regulations promulgated thereunder the following document:

Two (2) fully-executed originals of the above-referenced Termination.

In connection with the recording of the Termination, please note the following information:

Name and Address of Lessor:

Helm Financial Corporation One Embarcadero Center, Suite 3700 San Francisco, CA 94111

Name and Address of Lessee:

Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad Company

2721-161st Street

Hammond, IN 46323-1099

Equipment:

8 Covered Hopper Railcars IHB 74027-74103 (Not Inclusive)

Please record this Termination as a supplemental agreement to STB Recordation No. **24029** filed on July 11, 2002 at 1:18 PM. The filing fee of \$30.00 is included in our enclosed check.

Summary: Termination of Full Maintenance Per Diem Lease Agreement dated as of August 27, 2004 by Helm Financial Corporation for 8 covered hopper railcars, IHB 74027-74103 (Not Inclusive), to be filed as a supplemental agreement. Please file this Termination as a supplemental agreement to STB Recordation No. 24029.

Yours truly,

Sharon L. Van Fossan Supervisor Contract Administration

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Enclosures (2)

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TERMINATION OF FULL MAINTENANCE PER DIEM LEASE AGREEMENT

THIS TERMINATION OF FULL MAINTENANCE PER DIEM LEASE AGREEMENT ("Termination") is dated as of August 27, 2004 by HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION, a California corporation ("Lessor").

1. <u>Recitals</u>. Lessor entered into the Full Maintenance Per Diem Lease Agreement dated as of August 21, 2001 ("Lease") with Indiana Harbor Belt Railroad Company, an Indiana corporation, with respect to the eight (8) railcars described in <u>Schedule A</u> attached hereto. The Lease is on file at the Surface Transportation Board of the Department of Transportation ("STB") under STB Recordation No. 24029 filed on July 11, 2002 at 1:18 PM.

The Lease was terminated on March 19, 2004. The purpose of this Termination of Lease is to provide a formal termination document for filing with the STB.

2. <u>Termination</u>. The Lease is hereby formally terminated.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, Lessor, pursuant to due corporate authority, has caused this Termination of Lease to be signed in its corporate name as of the date first above written.

HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION

By: Jacoback William

Name: Barbara W. Wilson

Title: Senior Vice President & CFO

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA)) S.S.
COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO	
On August 31, 2004. Vice President and Chief Financial Of	before me, J. L. Pat Taft, personally appeared Barbara W. Wilson, Senion ficer of HELM FINANCIAL CORPORATION ,
\underline{X} personally known to me -OR	-

to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacity(ies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument.



proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence

Witness my hand and official seal.

SCHEDULE A

To the Termination of Lease dated August 27, 2004

Description of the Units:

Eight (8), 100-ton, 4,000 cubic foot, roller bearing, triple pocket, covered hopper railcars equipped with trough hatches and gravity outlet gates; built by Pullman Standard in 1973.

Old Reporting Mark and Number		New Reporting Mark and Number	
HLMX	74027	IHB	74027
HLMX	74028	IHB	74028
HLMX	74031	IHB	74031
HLMX	74038	IHB	74038
HLMX	74072	IHB	74072
HLMX	74073	IHB	74073
HLMX	74089	IHB	74089
HLMX	74103	IHB	74103